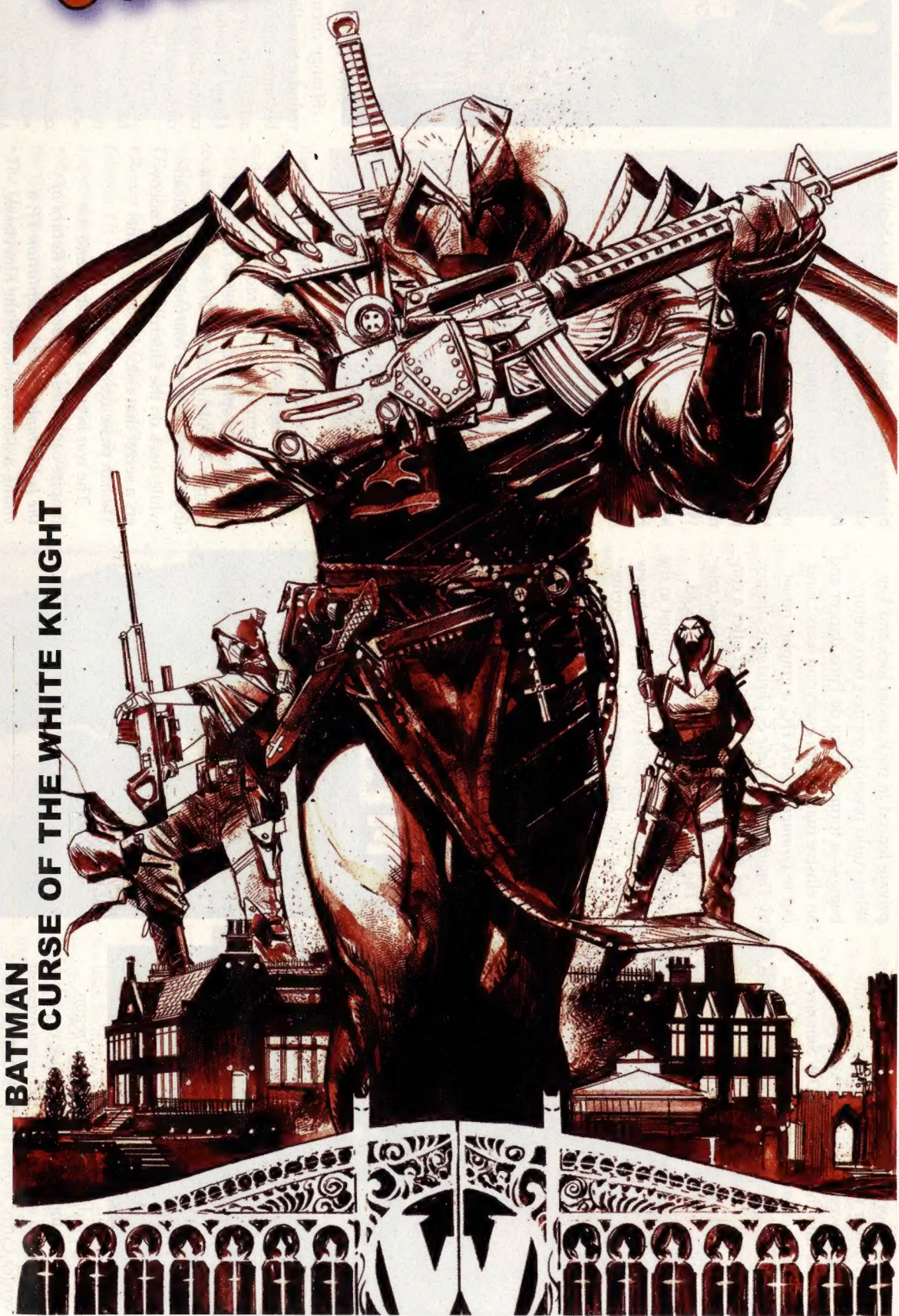


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BATMAN
CURSE OF THE WHITE KNIGHT



A Paler Shade of White

Are you ready to revisit the world of *Sean Murphy's Batman: White Knight*? Hope so—because DC is about to invite you to return beginning this July!

In *Batman: Curse of the White Knight #1*, the explosive sequel to *Batman: White Knight*, Joker recruits Azrael to help him expose a shocking secret from the Wayne family's legacy—and to run Gotham City into the ground! As Batman rushes to protect the city and his loved ones from danger, the mystery of his ancestry unravels, dealing a devastating blow to the Dark Knight. Exciting new villains and unexpected allies will clash across history in this unforgettable chapter of the White Knight saga, and the truth about the blood they shed will shake Gotham to its very core!

In this eight-issue limited series, Murphy takes readers back to the alternate DC Universe he created in the pages of *Batman: The White Knight*. "Jack Napier almost took everything from Batman—but that was nothing compared to what Joker and Azrael have planned," Murphy told *IGN*. "Not only are they planning on destroying the Dark Knight, but they'll undo the Waynes in ways you never thought possible."

"For *Curse of the White Knight*, I wanted to do a historical story about the Waynes in Gotham and talk about how deeply both he and Joker are tied to the city. Gotham seems to be perpetually cursed by crime—this story talks about that curse and how it's linked to the founding of Gotham Village in 1665."

Best news of all: This won't be the end of the White Knight saga. Murphy apparently has *very* big plans for this alternate universe in 2020: He is already looking for creators to work with him on an expansion of the world of *White Knight*. "When DC opens up the White Knight universe next year, I want to hire the best creators we have," Murphy tweeted.

Batman: Curse of the White Knight #1 is scheduled for July 24th release.

Coming Comics—DC in July

Metropolis is in total lockdown, and while everyone is busy dealing with the impossible threat of Leviathan's complete takeover, a mysterious antihero called Thorn decides to wreak havoc on the invisible empire in *Action Comics #1013* (by Brian Bendis & Szymon Kudranski).

Superboy and Robin finally make their way back home in *Adventures of the Super Sons #12* (by Peter Tomasi & Carlo Barberi). Unfortunately, an armada of about a gazillion juvenile superdelinquents is back too, and these pint-sized hell-raisers are out to conquer Earth!

As Aquaman settles the Old Gods of Unspoken Water into their new lives in Amnesty Bay, Jackson Hyde, aka Aqualad, seeks out Aquaman to be his new mentor in *Aquaman #50* (by Kelly Sue DeConnick, Robson Rocha, & Daniel Henriques). Back in Atlantis, Mera makes a move that shocks the Widowhood. Meanwhile, Black Manta, recently kicked out of the Legion of Doom, prepares to make his next move against his greatest nemesis... but Lex Luthor is about to make him an offer he can't refuse.

Eager to prove himself as a guardian for the criminals of Gotham City, Killer Moth sets his sights on taking out Batgirl in *Batgirl #37* (by Cecil Castellucci & Carmine Di Giandomenico). Meanwhile, Lex Luthor is about to bring Batgirl's worst possible nightmare to life! Oracle is back online. And she's angry.

The Joker enlists the aid of Azrael to expose a shocking secret about the Wayne legacy in *Sean Murphy's Batman: Curse of the White Knight #1*. (For more information on this eight-part limited series, see left.)

"The Fall and the Fallen" concludes with a father-and-son showdown in *Batman #74* (by Tom King & Mikel Janin). It's Bruce Wayne versus Thomas Wayne for the right to wear the cowl, and all of Gotham City hangs in the balance!

"City of Bane" begins in *Batman #75* (by Tom King & Tony S. Daniel). Bane's minions have moved into Gotham City and taken control, ruling with an iron fist—including rounding up any villain who refuses to sign onto Bane's program—and Batman is nowhere to be found. Plus, what



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does Lex Luthor's scheming mean for Gotham City when Bane and the villains are already in control?

The world has been destroyed, and Batman is on a quest to find out who's responsible in *Batman: Last Knight on Earth #2* (by Scott Snyder, Greg Capullo, & Jonathan Glapion). But when villains from his past begin to complicate things for the Dark Knight, he finds an unlikely ally in a place known as the "Plains of Solitude."



Stuart Moore & Chris Wildgoose transform Marie Lu's best-selling novel into comics form in *Batman: Nightwalker—The Graphic Novel TP*. A ruthless new gang of criminals known only as Nightwalkers is terrorizing Gotham, and the city's elite are being taken out one by one. On the way home from his 18th birthday party, newly minted billionaire Bruce Wayne makes an impulsive choice that puts him in its crosshairs and lands him in Arkham Asylum, the once-infamous mental hospital. There, he meets Madeleine Wallace, a brilliant killer... and Bruce's only hope. Madeleine is the mystery Bruce must unravel, but is he convincing her to divulge her secrets, or is he feeding her the information she needs to bring Gotham City to its knees?

Batman Secret Files #2 tells readers all about Bane and his cabal: Joker, Riddler, Hugo Strange, and the Psycho-Pirate. Thrill to brutal stories of madness, murder, and hatred done by some of comics' greatest talents!

In their first encounter with the powerful maniac who's pursuing runaway meta-human Sofia Barrera, Black Lightning and the Outsiders were absolutely humbled. Did Batman make a catastrophic mistake when he entrusted them with Sofia's life? Find out in *Batman and the Outsiders #3* (by Bryan Hill & Dexter Soy). Plus, ousted from power and stripped of wealth, Ra's al Ghul is a broken man. But Lex Luthor has a plan for how the

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Outsiders could be Ra's' new League of Assassins!

The origin of Batman... together with the origin of the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles? The stories are familiar, but through the prism of this altered reality, clearly not the same. An uneasy feeling sets in that everything is not what it seems in *Batman/Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles III #3* (by James Tynion IV & Freddie E. Williams II). But the Laughing Man pays a visit to a familiar Turtles ally to make sure this world stays exactly as Krang has remade it.

Following the theft of a priceless Fabergé egg, the Riddler leads the Dark Knight on a wild hunt after its true owner—Jinny Hex, descendant of Jonah Hex—in *Batman: Universe #1* (by Brian Bendis & Nick Derington). Guest-starring Deathstroke, Green Arrow, and dozens of Riddler look-alikes in stories by Brian Michael Bendis.

Tim returns home in *Books of Magic #10* (by Kat Howard, Tom Fowler, & Brian Churilla) to find that things are not as he hoped and that magic is not the shortcut he hopes it'll be.



In *Catwoman #13* (by Joëlle Jones with Fernando Blanco), things come to a head for Selina Kyle at Villa Hermosa. Between taking care of her sister and contending with all the crooks who cross her path looking to give her some bad luck, it's enough to make a Catwoman go bad herself. Particularly if Lex Luthor has anything to do with it.

There's a voice in the head of Liam James

questioning everything he does—from his job at the nursing home to keeping his relationship with his girlfriend afloat. Liam suffers from anxiety, and the only thing that quiets it is music, which makes a weekly DJ gig his one saving grace. But Liam's life changes forever when he receives a black hole in the mail (yes, you read that right), one that takes up residence in his chest, grants him insane superpowers, turns him into a celebrity, and draws him into a cosmic conflict beyond his wildest imagination. Where did this black hole come from? Why Liam? Find out in *Collapser #1* (by Mike

island of Themyscira. The race to save planet Earth is on in *DCeased #3* (by Tom Taylor, Trevor Hairsine, & Stefano Gaudiano)! The surviving members of the Justice League have learned the secret to the spread of the virus, but is it already too late to stop it?

The Joker returns to Gotham City in *Detective Comics #1008* (by Peter Tomasi, Doug Mahnke, & Jaime Mendoza). Joker is through working with the Legion of Doom, and he wants to get back to his roots: giving Batman absolute hell! And as if that weren't enough, Lex Luthor delivers the cure for Mr Freeze's beloved wife, Nora, freeing her



Way, Shaun Simons, & Ilias Kyriazis), a new addition to the quirky Young Animal line.

A new Deathstroke vows to complete his last, unfinished assignment in *Deathstroke #45* (by Christopher Priest & Fernando Pasarin). But the master assassin Shado has plans to step in for the late, great World's Greatest Assassin... Meanwhile, Slade Wilson's son Jericho accepts Lex Luthor's offer of power—but he's determined to use it as a force for good... so why is Lex smiling?

Heroes, villains, and gods have fallen. Cities have collapsed. The virus threatens to reach below the waves and even to the

from cryostasis at last! But something else is very, very wrong with Nora...

Miguel and Summer must journey into the HeroVerse in pursuit of Mr Thunderbolt, who has stolen the H-Dial and threatens to destroy it in *Dial H for Hero #5* (by Sam Humphries & Joe Quinones). But if they wish to survive, Miguel and Summer must discover the secrets of the Operator, the origin of Mr Thunderbolt, and the history of the HeroVerse!

Gerard Way and the World's Strangest Superheroes return in *Doom Patrol: Weight of the Worlds #1* (by Gerard Way, Jeremy Lambert, & James Harvey). The Doom Patrol



face off against the fanatical fitness fiends of planet Orbius and the Marathon Eternal! Meanwhile, Cliff Steele, formerly known as Robotman, must come to terms with his new body of flesh and bone... yet the real test turns out to be something far more frightening: his mom.

A blight has come to the Worlds' End pub, and as the search for Dream of the Endless nears its end in *The Dreaming #11* (by Simon Spurrier & Bilquis Evely), our plucky hunters must confront the saddest thing of all: a fable that can't stop fading.

As the mystery of Leviathan continues to rock the very foundations of the DC Universe in *Event Leviathan #2* (by Brian Bendis & Alex Maleev), the world's greatest detectives gather for the first time anywhere to solve the mystery before it's too late!

"The Flash Year One" reaches its grand finale in *The Flash #75* (by Joshua Williamson, Howard Porter, Christian Duce, & Scott Kolins). This oversize anniversary issue marks the end of Barry Allen's journey to become the Flash—but at what cost? The Turtle's final play will challenge our hero in every way possible, and by the end of the battle, a



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Flash will be born—and a Flash will die! Also in this issue, witness Lex Luthor's offer to Captain Cold...

On the medieval fantasy planet of Athmoora, Sir Hal of the Lantern—aka Hal Jordan—must do battle with the evil wizard Ah-Bah-Nazzur, scourge of the Four Kingdoms! What is Ah-Bah-Nazzur's secret? And what does it have to do with the looming extinction-level Multiversal threat that leaves countless dead superbeings in its wake? Find out in *The Green Lantern #9* (by Grant Morrison & Liam Sharp).



A Green Lantern tradition is reborn when the annual Jordan family reunion takes a turn for the bizarre in *The Green Lantern Annual #1* (by Grant Morrison & Giuseppe Camuncoli), leaving Hal and his nearest and dearest on the front line of a terrifying invasion from an impossible reality that's closer than you think! There's only one way for intergalactic lawman Hal "Green Lantern" Jordan to prevent the ultra-crime of the millennium—but what will be the outcome when Green Lantern takes on a young superhero sidekick?

Beaten but not broken after a deadly battle with Cyborg Overman, the Freedom Fighters are on the run once more in *Freedom Fighters #7* (by Robert Venditti & Bruno Redondo). But who will take in these fugitives from the Gestapo? The American people, that's who!

The final trials of Harley Quinn begin in *Harley Quinn #63* (by Sam Humphries & Otto Schmidt)... and the stakes have never been higher! Will Harley succeed in becoming the Angel of Retribution? Plus, a mysterious new comic by M. Clatterbuck appears... in which Lex Luthor makes Harley an exciting offer!

Carl Sands returns as the new, improved Shadow Thief in *Hawkman #14* (by Robert Venditti, Patrick Olliffe, & Tom Palmer). Newly upgraded by Lex Luthor, he's now the undisputed master of shadows.

Superman's best friend and Daily Planet photographer Jimmy Olsen tours the bizarre underbelly of the DC Universe in *Jimmy Olsen #1* (by Matt Fraction & Steve Lieber), a miniseries featuring death, destruction, giant

turtles, and more! It's a centuries-spanning whirlwind of weird that starts in Metropolis and ends in Gotham City. And then they kill Jimmy... (!)

With the fate of the Ghost Sector and the trillions of lives it contains at stake, Darkseid begins the cosmic process to activate Sepulkore and restore himself to his previous immeasurable power in *Justice League Odyssey #11* (by Dan Abnett & Will Conrad).

Eons ago, the Monitor, the Anti-Monitor, and the World Forger stopped the rise of Perpetua—but can they overcome billions of years of mistrust to work together and do it again? Find out in *Justice League #28* (by James Tynion IV & Javier Fernandez). Plus, Lex Luthor's offers across the DC Universe haven't gone unnoticed—Martian Manhunter is aware of the "Offer." And J'onn J'onzz will pay the price. Then, witness the culmination of the Legion of Doom's master plan in *Justice League #28*.

Their battle against Doctor Fate may have come to an end, but the Justice League Dark's problems are just beginning when the helmet begins its search for a new host in *Justice League Dark #13* (by James Tynion IV, Mark Buckingham, & Daniel Sampere). Meanwhile, what can Lex Luthor offer a magic user like Circe?

Swamp Thing takes center stage in *Justice League Dark Annual #1* (by James Tynion IV, Ram V, & Guillem March). After the fall of the Parliament of Trees, the Parliament of Flowers and its new guardian have risen. It's now up to Alec Holland to convince him



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to become a benevolent protector of the world, but little does he know, a foe from his past, the Floronic Man, is trying to sway the guardian as well.

On the road and carrying a secret that could disrupt Superman's life, Lois Lane embarks on a harrowing journey to uncover a threat to her husband and a plot that reaches the highest levels of international power brokers and world leaders in *Lois Lane #1* (by Greg Rucka & Mike Perkins).

The Devil and Caliban's search for an agreeable afterlife continues in *Lucifer #10* (by Dan Watters & Max Fiumara).

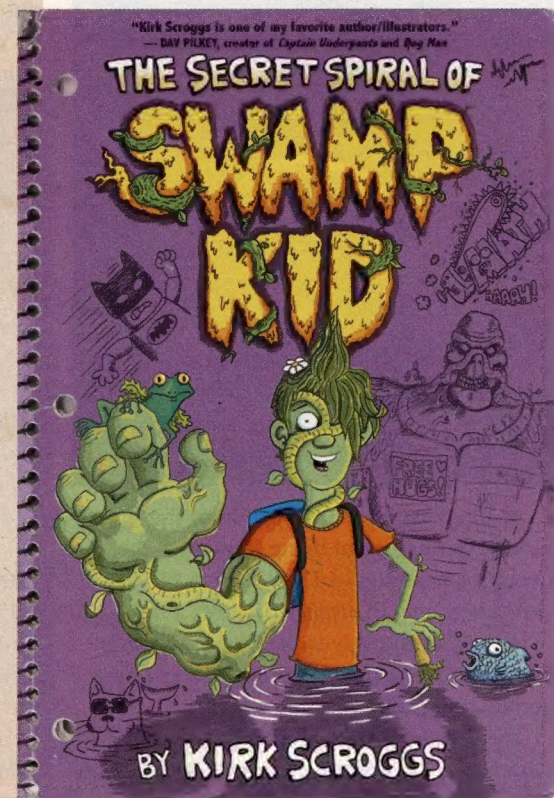
In *Nightwing #62* (by Dan Jurgens & Ronan Cliquet), Lex Luthor delivers the Court of Owls the means to own what they covet most: Ric Grayson.

What can Lex Luthor offer former sidekick Jason Todd in *Red Hood: Outlaw #36* (by Scott Lobdell & Pete Woods)? Sidekicks... broken, battered, and catastrophically dangerous sidekicks. The Teen Titans they're not!

The question of what happened to Bizarro and Artemis after they were sucked through the quantum doorway is finally answered in *Red Hood: Outlaw Annual #3* (by Scott Lobdell & Adam Pollina).

Scooby and the gang team up with Metamorpho in *Scooby-Doo Team-Up #49* (by Sholly Fisch & Dario Brizuela).

Russell Weinwright is a middle schooler; he excessively doodles; he has two best friends, Charlotte and Preston; he is not so great at sports, and he is pond scum. Nicknamed "Swamp Kid" by his classmates, Russell has algae for hair, a tree trunk for a right arm, and a carrot for a finger. Also, Russell's favorite meal is sunlight. Also, a frog lives in his arm. In Kirk Scroggs' *The Secret Spiral of Swamp Kid TP*, Russell details in both hilarious text and color illustrations (complete with ketchup stains!) what it's like to be different, to discover his true talents, to avoid the intense stare of Mr Finneca (his suspicious science teacher who may also be a mad scientist), and to find humor in the everyday weird.



Billy Batson and the rest of the Shazam Family are about to learn, as they cross over into the Darklands in *Shazam! #8* (by Geoff Johns & Dale Eaglesham), that the Magiclands aren't all fun and games! In a world filled with all kinds of frightful creatures and haunts, nothing will compare to the horrors of Billy's own internalized fears.

As the House of El is united, Superman, Supergirl, Superboy, and Jor-El struggle to defeat the seemingly unstoppable Rogol Zaar (who is now teamed up with General Zod, Jax-Ur, and even Gandelio) in *Supergirl #32* (by Marc Andreyko & Kevin Maguire). If she survives it all, who will be the Supergirl who emerges on the other side? Meanwhile, if Brainiac is in the Hall of Doom, why is Lex Luthor upgrading an old Brainiac drone body? And why is the drone calling itself the true Brainiac?

It's Superman, Superboy, Supergirl, and a cast of thousands in a fight to keep the universe intact in *Superman #13* (by Brian Bendis, Ivan Reis, & Joe Prado). But it's this issue's final page that will have fans everywhere talking. It's a moment almost a thousand years in the making... And why is Lex now talking to Lois Lane?

Following a home invasion that ends in murder, Superman is put on the trail of a Metropolis mystery by Batman in *Superman: Up in the Sky #1* (by Tom King, Andy Kubert, & Sandra Hope)—but can even the Man of Steel discover the truth behind these tragic deaths, or their ties to the far-off world of Rann?

Lobo's back in *Teen Titans #32* (by Adam Glass & Bernard Chang)—and he's got his daughter, Crush, dead to rights! Lobo wants a daughter he can be proud of. Crush wants nothing to do with her father. And Lex Luthor is about to ruin Crush's life.



At long last, the secret origin of the mysterious technological being known as the Keeper is revealed in *The Terrifics #18* (by Gene Luen Yang & Stephen Segovia). Plus, when Lex Luthor gives the Bizarro Terrifics a time machine, they become the most dangerous things in the universe.

The Scrambler has given the world one month to fix everything—or else suffer “The Great Scramble,” a dastardly plot that would

swap the consciousnesses of everyone on the planet. As the scramble before the Scramble commences, the Wonder Twins must team up with the Justice League to put a stop to the Scrambler's plan in *Wonder Twins #6* (by Mark Russell & Stephen Byrne).



At last, after years of exile, Wonder Woman returns to Themyscira in *Wonder Woman #75* (by G. Willow Wilson & Xermanico). But in the wake of Ares' escape from his prison, the island is no longer the paradise she remembers... and the Amazons are no longer a united people! Plus, Lex Luthor visits fellow Legion of Doom member Cheetah. He comes bearing gifts: a mythical weapon, one rumored to be able to kill anything—even a god... or a Wonder Woman.

When Steve Trevor is called in for a test flight of an experimental new aircraft, he winds up lost in the Bermuda Triangle in *Wonder Woman: Come Back to Me #1* (by Amanda Conner, Jimmy Palmiotti, & Chad Hardin)—and it's up to Wonder Woman and Etta Candy to follow his trail to a mysterious, savage island!

Young Justice—lost in the Multiverse in *Young Justice #7* (by Brian Bendis & John Timms). After the explosive conclusion to their Gemworld adventure, the team are having a tough time finding their way back to their Earth. Meanwhile, Tim Drake is about to do something he has only done... lots of times before. He is about to announce his new alias... a new superhero name. A Young Justice name. And this time, it's permanent.

DC collected editions (advance solicited for August, September, and October release) include:

- *All-Star Comics: Only Legends Live Forever TP*, collecting *All-Star Comics* #s 58–74 and tales from *Adventure* #s 461–466 and *DC Special* #29.

- *Aquaman Volume 1: Unspoken Water TP*, collecting *Aquaman* #s 43–47.

- *Batman Black and White Omnibus HC*, collecting stories from *Black and White* #s 1–4, *Batman Black and White* #s 1–6, and stories from *Batman: Gotham Knights* #s 1–49.

- *Batman: Kings of Fear HC*, collecting the six-issue miniseries.

- *Batman: Death of the Family Saga TP*, collecting *Batman* #s 13–17, *Batgirl* #s 14–16, *Nightwing* #s 15–16, *Batman and Robin* #s 15–16, and more.

- *Batman/Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles II TP*, collecting the six-issue crossover series.

- *The Curse of Brimstone Volume 2: Ashes TP*, collecting *The Curse of Brimstone* #s 7–12 & *Annual* #1.

- *The Flash by Geoff Johns Book Six TP*, collecting *The Flash: Rebirth* #s 1–6, *Blackest Night: The Flash* #s 1–3, and *Final Crisis: Rogues' Revenge* #s 1–3.

- *Harley and Ivy Meet Betty and Veronica TP*, collecting the six-issue crossover series.

- *Hitman's Greatest Hits TP*, collecting stories from *The Demon Annual* #2; *Hitman* #s 4–7, 13–14, & 34; and *JLA/Hitman* #s 1–2.

- *Justice League of America: The Last Survivors of Earth TP*, collecting Bronze Age tales from *Justice League of America* #s 77–84, 86–92, & 94–95.

- *Justice: The Deluxe Edition HC*, collecting the 12-issue series.

- *Orion by Walter Simonson Book Two TP*, collecting *Orion* #s 12–25.

- *Powers Volume 6 TP*, collecting *Powers* v3 #s 1–11.

- *The Sandman Volume 11: Endless Nights 30th Anniversary Edition TP*, featuring a new cover by Dave McKean.

- *Scooby-Doo Team-Up: Doomed! TP*, collecting *Scooby-Doo Team-Up* #s 37–42.

- *Sideways Volume 2: Rifts and Revelations TP*, collecting *Sideways* #s 7–13 & *Annual* #1.

- *Suicide Squad Volume 8: Constriction TP*, collecting *Suicide Squad* #s 41–44, 47–50, & *Annual* #1.

- *Swamp Thing by Nancy A. Collins Omnibus HC*, collecting *Swamp Thing* #s 110–139 & *Annual* #s 6–7, *Black Orchid* #5, and more.

- *Tales of the Batman: Gerry Conway Volume 3 HC*, collecting tales from *Batman* #s 349–359 and *Detective* #s 515–526.

- *Watchmen: International Edition HC (New Edition)*, featuring a new lenticular cover.

- *The Wild Storm Volume 4 TP*, collecting *The Wild Storm* #s 19–24.



- *Wonder Woman by Greg Rucka Volume 3 TP*, collecting *Wonder Woman* #s 218–226 and *Blackest Night: Wonder Woman* #s 1–3.
- *Wonder Woman: The Golden Age Volume 3 TP*, collecting stories from *Sensation Comics* #s 25–36, *Wonder Woman* #s 8–11, and *Comic Cavalcade* #s 6–8.

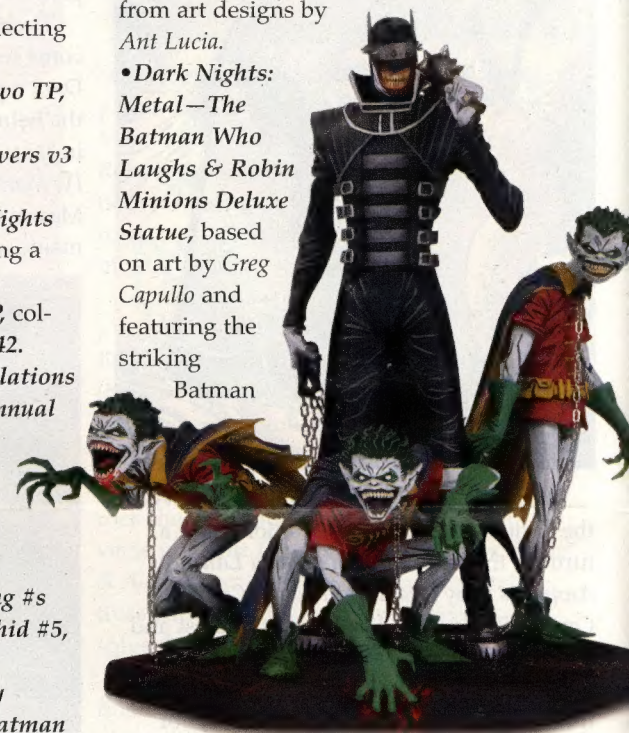
- *Wonder Woman Year One Deluxe Edition HC*, collecting *Wonder Woman* #s 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, & 14, plus a story from *Wonder Woman Annual* #1.

Coming in December from DC Collectibles

- *DC Bombshells Black Canary Sepia Tone Variant Statue*, a sepia-tone repaint of the Sam Greenwell sculpture based on designs by Ant Lucia.

- *DC Bombshells Death Statue* featuring Death's classic umbrella and black-and-white color scheme, sculpted by Tim Miller from art designs by Ant Lucia.

- *Dark Nights: Metal—The Batman Who Laughs & Robin Minions Deluxe Statue*, based on art by Greg Capullo and featuring the striking



Who Laughs surrounded by his three Robin minions in chains.

- *DC Bombshells Mary Shazam! Statue*, featuring Mary in mid-marching action as the drum majorette of the most electrifying marching band on Earth, sculpted by Tim Miller from art designs by Ant Lucia.

- *Battle Statue: Batman vs Deathstroke*, a striking two-figure combat statue set against the backdrop of Gotham's gargoyled rooftops.

- *Batman: The Animated Series Bane, Killer Croc, Mr Freeze, and Poison Ivy Action Figures*, now available as individual figures.

- *DC Cover Girls: Huntress by Joëlle Jones Statue*, a striking interpretation of Helena Bertinelli sculpted by Jack Mathews.

Coming Comics—Dynamite in July

In celebration of her 50th anniversary, Dynamite is launching a brand-new, ongoing *Vampirella* series written by star storyteller Christopher Priest with art by Ergün Gündüz. It's an all-new take on Vampirella that incorporates every era of Vampirella adventures to date—but you'll have to read it to find out how!

The *Vampirella* #1 Blank Comic Edition
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offers a full comic of sketch-quality paper inside a logo-ed blank cover.

If you weren't around for the original Warren *Vampirella* #1, you can pretend that you were, thanks to Dynamite's *Vampirella* #1 (1969) *Replica Edition*. This special reprint includes every story and even advertisements exactly as they looked half a century ago, all packaged behind a striking Frank Frazetta cover.

Joe Jusko's Vampirella 50th Anniversary Masterpiece High-End Giclee is an artist-quality reproduction of Jusko's work, complete with a high-end (\$699.99) price. This piece portrays Vampi alongside her greatest friends and foes, including Pantha, Lilith, Dracula, Adam Van Helsing, and many more.

When Charlie's Angels pick up an assignment to steal a dangerous patent and put it back in the hands of its mysterious inventor, they encounter their toughest counterspy yet: the Bionic Woman, Jaime Sommers. *Charlie's Angels vs the Bionic Woman* #1 (by Cameron DeOrdio & Soo Lee) follows two of television's top teams after their programming run and into the 1980s. When the Office of Scientific Investigation is privatized and its patents sold off to the highest bidder, a military contractor looks to take bionics to the battlefield. Will the Bionic Woman be able to protect the patent from the would-be thieves, or will the Angels prevail, mothballing the formula's military applications in favor of medical uses?

Bettie's next stop on her dimension-hopping quest finds her six inches tall... with gossamer wings. Can one tiny adorable sprite stop the most powerful creatures in the multiverse from throwing it all into chaos and destruction? Find out in *Bettie Page: Unbound* #4 (by David Avallone & Julius Ohta).



Lieutenant James Bond learns a new skill in *James Bond: Origin* #11 (by Jeff Parker & Ibrahim Moustafa). A former friend helps atone for the death of another. And Bond descends into a part of war-torn London from which few fresh faces emerge unscathed.

Jay and Mania are hot on the heels of **Comic Shop News**

KISS, determined to get the Sword of Immortality back, in *KISS: The End* #4 (by Amy Chu & Edu Menna). They are running out of chances to pull this off before Hay is stranded permanently in the Wasteland with an angry demon king...

The stakes continue to grow in *Red Sonja: Birth of the She-Devil* #2 (by Luke Lieberman & Sergio Davila) as Sonja is thrust back into an uneasy alliance that combines elements of her past against deadly new Hyborian foes as a literal death cult seeks to enslave all those in their path!



Cyril is the Crown Prince of the Zamoran Empire, and he is young but not stupid. The mysterious blind priest will unlock the secrets of the Lord of Fools in *Red Sonja: Lord of Fools*, a oneshot by Mark Russell, Bob Q, & Katie O'Meara.

Things are getting weirder and weirder in Riverdale as Red Sonja and Vampirella investigate a string of grisly murders with the help of their new friends Betty and Veronica. But as the body count increases and the leads dry up, police suspicion turns to the outsiders in *Red Sonja and Vampirella Meet Betty and Veronica* #3 (by Amy Cho & Maria Sanapo).

John Carter is back on Earth! Unfortunately, there's also a seemingly unlimited army of li'l green dudes here, hellbent on killing every woman/man/dog/llama/vegetable in sight in *Warlord of Mars Attacks!* #2 (by Jeff Parker & Dean Kotz). Can our intrepid sci-fi hero get his head wrapped around the madness and strike back, or has he arrived just in time to see his home-world's destruction?

Dynamite collected editions include:
•Barbarella Volume 3: Burning Down the House TP, collecting *Vampirella* #s 9-12.
•The Boys Omnibus Volume 3 TP, collecting *The Boys TP Volumes 5 & 6* in one hefty compendium.
•Vampirella: Roses for the Dead HC, collecting the limited series by Kristina Deak-Linsner & Joseph Michael Linsner.
•Vampirella vs Reanimator TP, collecting the four-issue limited series.

•Xena Volume 2: Mindgames TP, collecting *Xena* #s 6-10.
•Brandon Sanderson's White Sand Volume 2 TP, a softcover edition of the hardcover original graphic novel.

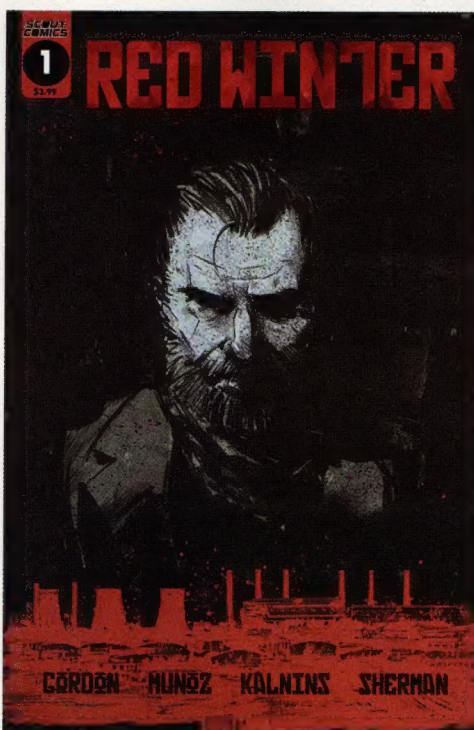
Coming Comics—Scout in July

In the aftermath of the events at Eden, One Percenters who escaped find themselves on the run from Sanaxus, who aren't pulling any punches in getting them back in *Category Zero* #3 (by Adam Kiamil & Ton Lima)! Neve and his classmates are taken to a maximum security facility called Omega.

Jesus had the Apostles, and The Christ has The Twelve—a dedicated collection of true believers whose sordid and sinister pasts Lucas learns about from a trusted source. Meanwhile, Sujad exacts revenge on a familiar face in *Crucified* #2 (by Sheldon Allen & Armin Ozdic), and a momentary lapse in judgment causes Larry to reconsider a previous offer.

The Electric Black—a cursed antique shop—appears in 1990s Boston, Massachusetts, in *Electric Black* #2 (by Joseph Schmalke & Rich Woodall). The enigmatic Julius Black has sent the store's demented errand girl, June Bug, on an assignment to drop off an ancient relic to a mysterious client. This ominous artifact has a sinister past and the power to throw the world into chaos. But an Inquisition Strike Force is on her trail, determined to quell the darkness that she and the mysterious emporium are unleashing.

Eli Winter is a former NYPD Detective in his 50s, now living in Kapotnya, the most crime-ridden district of Moscow. Eli is employed by local crime boss Nikolai Dubrovsky, without whom Eli would likely be rotting in an American prison. Eli hates Kapotnya but sees a chance for redemption when he is enlisted to investigate the destruction of one of Dubrovsky's meth labs in *Red Winter* #1 (by Michael Gordon & Francisco Munoz). But Eli soon finds out the crime was committed by his estranged son, Joseph, as part of a rival gang initiation. Now Joseph needs his father's help, as he's in way over his head...



Scout collected editions include:
•MetalShark Bro! TP, collecting the four-issue tale in a single volume.
•Once Our Land: Volume One Remastered TP, collecting the complete story in English for the first time, along with a special behind-the-scenes peek into the making of *Once Our Land* and a special pin-up gallery.

Coming Comics—Boom! in July

Nothing will ever be the same after the attack on Xander. But with the Mistress Drusilla and Spike closer to opening the Hellmouth, Buffy may be out of time to save her friend—and everyone else in Sunnydale—in *Buffy the Vampire Slayer* #6 (by Jordie Bellaire & David Lopez).



Faith falls deeper into Poppy and Louis's mysterious world, which has dire consequences for her closest friends in *Faithless* #4 (by Brian Azzarello & Maria Llovet).

It's Mal and Zoe vs Boss Moon in *Firefly* #8 (by Greg Pak & Dan McDaid)—and no one's leaving without paying the price! But when the dust settles, will these bitter enemies discover an even greater threat?

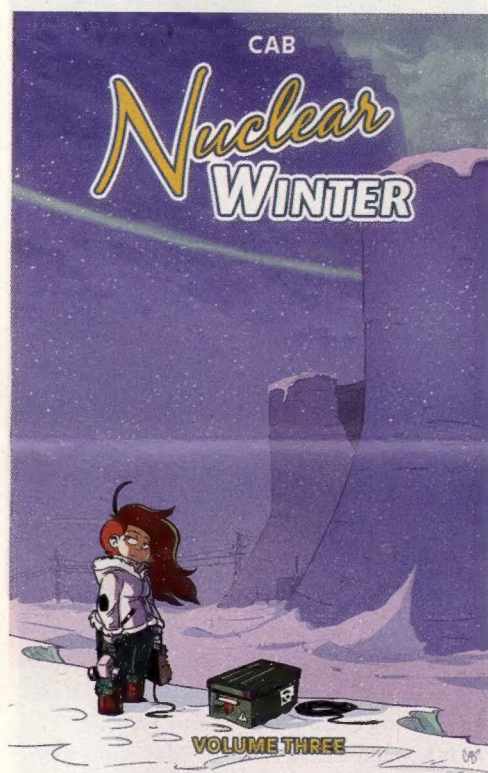
In Los Angeles, finding an apartment is killer—unless you live with the dead. Rycroft Manor may be old. It may be abandoned. It may even be haunted. But Daphne Walters doesn't care about any of that—it has a pool, and the rent is free. New to LA, coming off of a bad breakup, and having a pretty terrible week, Daphne might need to crash on this haunted couch for a while—but having undead roommates proves to be more than she bargained for in *Ghosted in LA* #1 (by Sina Grace & Siobhan Keenan).

The adventures of "Annie" Antimony Carver and her magical friends continue in *Tom Siddell's Gunnerkrigg Court Volume 7 HC* as they combat mysterious new foes in and around the esteemed Gunnerkrigg Court boarding school, where magical forests, lost souls, powerful spirits, and even robots are part of the curriculum.

Middle school feels like the worst place imaginable—but for Jess, Josh, and Marco, their school may actually be the worst place

in this world... or any other! After a chance encounter with a deadly creature stalking the school halls, these three unsuspecting students are whisked away to a horrifying realm beyond the school boiler room where they must unravel a terrifying mystery in *Just Beyond: Scare School OGN TP* (by RL Stine, Kelly Matthews, & Nichole Matthews). Can they save the kids they find there and escape themselves, or will they be forever trapped Just Beyond?

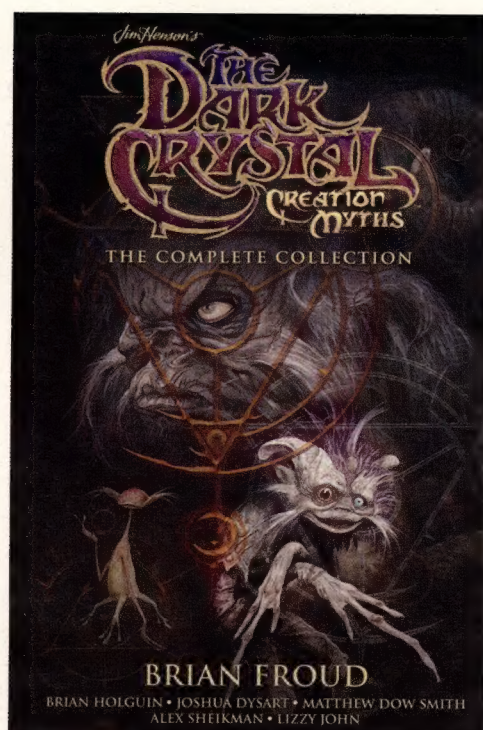
After moving into a new home with her husband, Emma begins to fear that a supernatural force in the house is putting their family in danger. This feeling intensifies after the birth of her child—her husband has become a stranger; her baby won't stop crying, and a looming darkness threatens to destroy their idyllic life. Afraid of her own family, alone in her new home, and growing more desperate every day, Emma will protect her child—no matter the cost—in Celine Loup's *The Man Who Came Down the Attic Stairs OGN HC*.



Everything's finally looking up for Flavie: Her sister's been visiting; her relationship with Marco is... okay, but most of all, it's finally getting warmer! When it looks like winter might be ending, Flavie volunteers to assist on an university research project to find out if the temperature has been rising across the entire region. It's a good distraction from Marco, and the trip is exactly what Flavie needs, until she and the research team venture to dangerous Free Territories, where the old reactor that started the nuclear winter began. See what happens next in *Cab's Nuclear Winter OGN Volume 3 TP*.

Boom! collected editions include:

- *Big Trouble in Little China Legacy Edition Book Two TP*, collecting *Big Trouble in Little China* #s 13–25.
- *Black Badge Volume 2 HC*, collecting *Black Badge* #s 5–8.
- *Bone Parish Volume 2 TP*, collecting *Bone Parish* #s 5–8.
- *Jim Henson's Dark Crystal Creation Myths: The Complete Collection HC*, collecting the series that reveals the definitive origins of the Skeksis, Mystics, Gelfling, and



the Dark Crystal itself, while introducing all-new characters in an epic spanning thousands of years..

- *Labyrinth: Coronation Volume 3 HC*, collecting *Labyrinth: Coronation* #s 9–12.
- *Mighty Morphin Power Rangers Volume 9 TP*, collecting *MMPR* #s 31–34.
- *Ronin Island Volume 1 Discover Now Edition TP*, collecting *Ronin Island* #s 1–4 in a special comic-shop-only edition.
- *Steven Universe Harmony TP*, collecting the five-issue limited series.
- *The Unknown Omnibus TP*, collecting *The Unknown* #s 1–4 and *The Unknown: The Devil Within* #s 1–4.
- *Welcome to Wonderland TP*, collecting the four-issue series.

Coming Comics—Valiant in July

The mind-controlled Bloodshot enlists the help of the Church Fallen to further his nefarious plans in *Fallen World* #3 (by Dan Abnett & Adam Pollina). Meanwhile, Rai comes face to face with the animalistic hybrids of the Kor'Tunga clan! Can Rai stop the resurrection of Father, his greatest enemy, before it's too late?



Five deadly assassins are recruited into a game of cat and mouse by their former sensei, the mysterious Jonin, in *Killers* #1 (by B. Clay Moore & Fernando Dagnino). Each of these assassins can channel their ki—the spiritual energy within all beings—in different ways, granting them incredible powers, essentially making them “superninjas.” But what does the Jonin want from them, and what do they gain out of helping him?

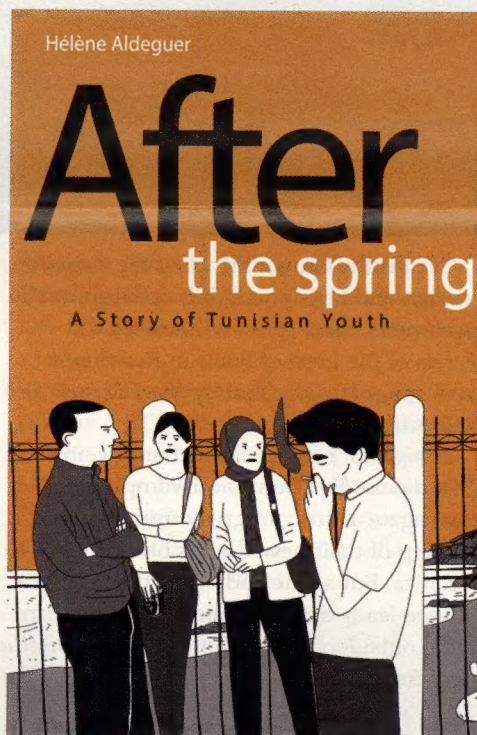
The long-lost secret of Harada's estranged son is revealed in *The Life and Death of Toyo Harada* #5 (by Joshua Dysart, CAFU, & Kano).

After an explosive escape from a cosmic prison, the team of amnesiac astronauts needs to find a way home in *Psi-Lords* #2 (by Fred Van Lente & Renato Guedes). But where is the ship that brought them here in the first place? And just who are these Psi-Lords they keep hearing about?

Punk Mambo faces off against a sinister sorcerer in *Punk Mambo* #4 (by Cullen Bunn & Adam Gorham). Mambo reaches deep into her bag of tricks to level the playing field. Sex magic may or may not be involved. But voodoo dolls definitely are!

Valiant collected editions include:

- *Bloodshot: Definitive Edition TP*, collecting *Bloodshot* #s 0–13.
- *Incursion TP*, collecting *Incursion* #s 1–4.



Coming Comics—IDW in July

In 2011, one of the biggest political events in the world, the Arab Spring, swept across North Africa. But what came next? As the world moves on, four young Tunisians must cope with the reality of an uncertain future in *After the Spring: A Story of Tunisian Youth HC*, an original graphic novel by Hélène Aldeguer.

Alan Roberts presents another heaping helping of horror images ready for you to add the hues in *The Beauty of Horror: Tricks and Treats Halloween Coloring Book* (advance solicited for October release).

Welcome to the Silver Lining, a mystical realm full of mirth and magic! The Care Bears, along with their pals the Whiffles, protect this realm from the negative influ-

ence of the mischievous Bluster and his Bad Crowd in *Care Bears: Unlock the Magic* #1 (by Matthew Erman, Nadia Shammas, & Agnes Garbowska).



Pan's life used to be very small. Work in her dad's body shop, sneak out with her friend Tara to go dancing, and watch the skies for freighter ships. It didn't even matter that Tara was a princess... until one day it very much did matter, and Pan had to say goodbye forever. Years later, when a charismatic pair of off-world gladiators show up on her doorstep, she finds that life might not be as small as she thought in Hannah Templer's *Cosmoknights TP*.

With Vlad in a coma, Cassie has to side with one of the two Crows to stop the other from getting revenge upon an entire city in *Crow-Hack/Slash* #2 (by Tim Seeley & Jim Terry). But can the legendary killer of undead killers stomach working side by side with the one thing she hates the most?

David Mazzuchelli's sold-out *Daredevil: Born Again Artist's Edition* is offered in a smaller, much more affordable format (but with the same intense attention to artistic detail) in *David Mazzuchelli's Daredevil: Born Again Artisan Edition TP*.

A space bounty hunter tracks down a frog princess; a woman finds a condom where it shouldn't be, and a spoiled art student works his first freelance job in *Chris Gooch's Deep Breaths TP*, a collection of short comics about tension, violence, monsters, and moments... including the award-winning story “Mooreland Mates” and nine other tales rarely or never before seen.

Rob Rogers chronicles his career as a political cartoonist—a career that ended when the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* dismissed him for the content of some his anti-Trump cartoons—in *Enemy of the People: A Cartoonist's Journey TP*.

Gears Pop! #1 (by Georgia Ball & Nico Pena) brings together iconic Gears characters in a cute Funko Pop! style.

GI Joe: Real American Hero #266 (by Larry Hama & Robert Atkins) kicks off the 10-part “Snake Hunt,” which will feature every living Joe from *GI Joe: A Real American Hero*, including never-before-seen origins!

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It's the Gorgeous Ladies of Wrestling versus... nuclear war?! Real-life tensions simmering between Russia and America explode into the ring in **GLOW Summer Special Oneshot** (by Devin Grayson & Lisa Sterle)! Zoya, Liberty Belle, Nuke, Ozone, a cage match, existential dread, and so much glitter—looks like this Cold War's about to heat up!



All the kids in Beaver Creek, Oregon, know that the old Whaley House is probably haunted, so when young tech entrepreneur Veruca Curry moves in, the kids fear there's more to her than meets the eye. The adults in town think that Veruca is just the sort of hip, young new blood that Beaver Creek needs, but Rosie, Carlos, and Becca find out the terrible truth in **Goosebumps: Horrors of the Witch House HC**.

New York, 1954. On the roof of an apartment building, a young woman patiently tends to her beehives and seems to be longing for someone or something. In the building across the street lives a kingpin of crime, isolated from the world, except for one mysterious weekly outing. They don't know each other, but they can see one another. Between them, the void, a police car, and a



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private fenced-in park under lock and key. What could possibly connect two solitary beings—a former Opéra de Paris dancer and an elusive man whom everyone fears? Find out in **Gramercy Park HC**, a graphic novel by **Timothée de Fombelle & Christian Cailleaux**.

Ted Adams & Gabriel Rodriguez offer a contemporary retelling of HG Wells' classic tale in **The Island of Dr Moreau #1**. This bold adaptation gives us a new protagonist in the form of Ellen Prendick, whose point of view shines a new light upon the horrific events on the cursed island, providing unique insights into one of the world's favorite stories.



What do you do when the lead singer of a world-famous punk rock band keels over from an overdose in the middle of a White House rager? Simple. Call in the ghost of Abraham Lincoln. Also: Marilyn gets eaten by the Fame Monster in **Marilyn Manor #2** (by **Magdalene Visaggio & Marley Zarcone**).

Heroes and villains alike prepare for an incoming threat from the cosmos in **Marvel Action Avengers #7** (by **Matthew K. Manning & Jon Sommariva**). Will someone from Black Panther's past be friend or foe?

When Peter, Miles, and Gwen nab a famous cat burglar, they inadvertently make a new enemy in the Black Cat in **Marvel Action Spider-Man #8** (by **Delilah S. Dawson & Fico Ossio**). And she'll stop at nothing to make them wish they had never crossed paths...

In the end, the gods gathered together and met their foes on the Battle Plain of Vigrid. There, so the stories tell, the gods and their great enemies slaughtered each other; the stars fell from the sky; Midgard itself sank into the all-encompassing ocean, and the Nine Worlds were destroyed. Follow the path to destruction in **Walter Simonson's Ragnarök: The Breaking of Hellheim #1**, the kickoff of the next chapter in Simonson's post-Ragnarök Thor saga!

A new batch of mutant villains are in town, and they've mastered the art of noiseless theft in **Rise of the TMNT: Sound Off #1** (by **Matthew K. Manning & Chad Thomas**). The TMNT are powerless to stop them, until they realize someone close to them shares a

history with the bad guys: April O'Neil! Will she be able to overcome a case of stage fright and save the day?

Tangle the Lemur's got a problem: There's not enough action in her life! Whisper the Wolf's also got a problem: She's hunting down an incredibly dangerous enemy named Sonic the Hedgehog! Can Tangle and Whisper help each other solve their problems, or will they just make things worse? Find out in **Sonic the Hedgehog: Tangle and Whisper #1** (by **Ian Flynn & Evan Stanley**).

Like many late-21st-century teens, geeky 16-year-old Vess gets packed off to spend her summer at Space Camp—which is literally in space. Tragically, a shuttle accident sends her and the rest of the passengers careening toward a cold, frosty death among the stars. But when a gigantic, space-faring water bear miraculously rescues Vess and her beloved retro Discman, it's the beginning of an extraordinary friendship in **Star Pig #1** (by **Delilah S. Dawson & Francesco Gaston**).

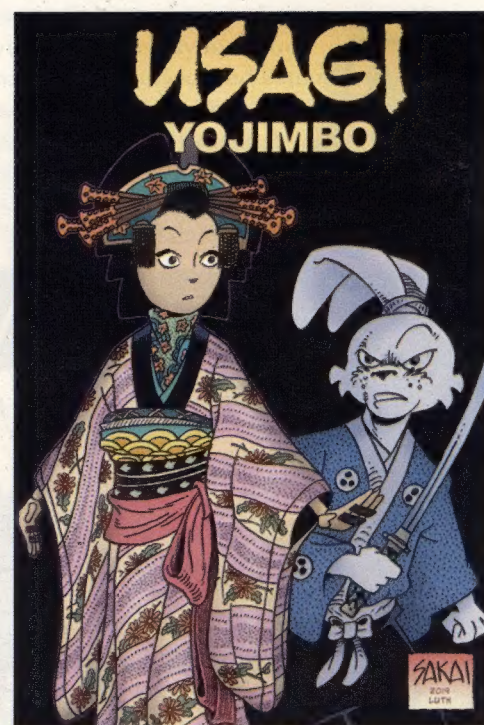
With the situation on Sigma Iotia II quickly unraveling, it's up to Kirk and Bones to stop a dangerous group of radicals from unleashing a space/time fissure that could destroy the planet in **Star Trek Year Five #4** (by **Brandon Easton & Martin Cocco**). Meanwhile, back on the Enterprise, Scotty uncovers a secret that risks the safety of the Tholian passenger.

The war between the Rebels and the Empire continues in **Star Wars: Return of the Jedi Graphic Novel Adaptation TP**, a young-readers version of the film classic.

It seems as though there are giant robots who can disguise themselves as vehicles out there in the universe, and, as it happens, one of them has taken the place of Ecto-1 in **Transformers/Ghostbusters #2** (by **Erik**



Burnham & Dan Schoening). When the Ghostbusters discover this replacement, they naturally have a lot of questions—and this time, even the boys in gray might not believe the answers!

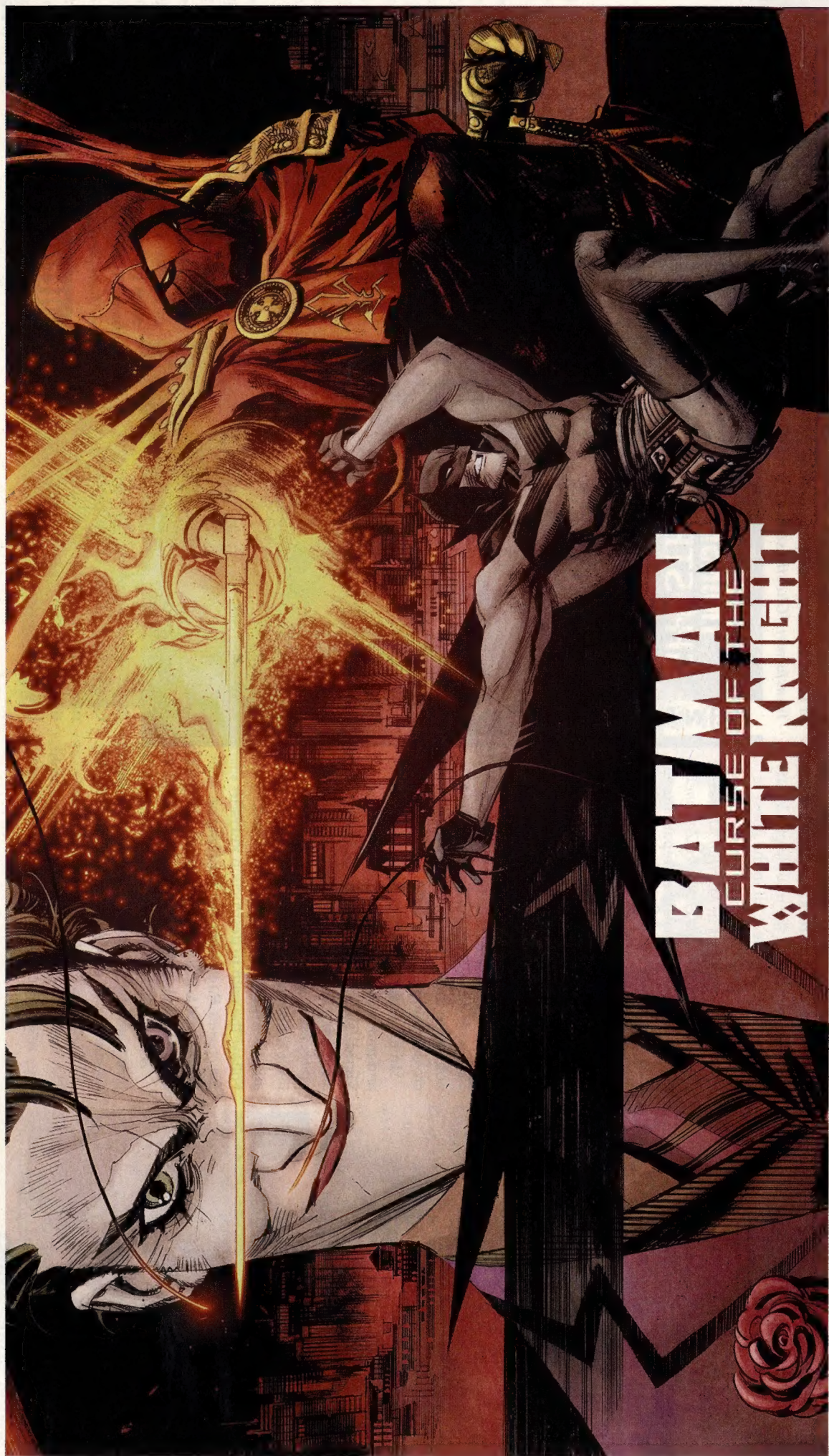


Strange circumstances continue to surround a travelling puppet show as Usagi becomes embroiled in one of his most eerie adventures yet in **Stan Sakai's full-color Usagi Yojimbo #2**. Will the aid of a supernatural ally be enough for Usagi to prevent more death?

IDW collected editions (advance solicited for August, September, and October release) include:

- **Amber Blake TP**, collecting the four-issue miniseries.
- **GI Joe: A Real American Hero—Sierra Muerte TP**, collecting **Michael Fiffe's** miniseries.
- **Marvel Action Classics: Hulk**, collecting **Marvel Adventures Hulk #5** and **Marvel Adventures Super-Heroes #1**.
- **My Little Pony: Friendship is Magic Volume 17 TP**, collecting **My Little Pony: Friendship is Magic #s 74–78**.
- **The October Faction: Open Season TP**, collecting the first 12 issues of the new series.
- **Punks Not Dead Volume 2: London Calling TP**, collecting the five-issue miniseries.
- **Rise of the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: The Big Reveal TP**, collecting **Rise of the TMNT #s 3–5**.
- **Silly Symphonies Volume 4: The Complete Disney Classics 1942–1945 HC**, collecting an adaptation of **Bambi**, plus the rarely seen Sunday pages featuring **The Three Caballeros** stars **José Carioca** and **Panchito**.
- **Sonic the Hedgehog Volume 4: Infection TP**, collecting **Sonic the Hedgehog #s 13–16**.
- **Superman: The Silver Age Sundays Volume 2—1963–1966 HC**, collecting rarely seen strips by **Jerry Siegel & Wayne Boring**.
- **Transformers Volume 1: The World in Your Eyes TP**, collecting the first 12 issues of the new **Transformers** series.
- **The League of Extraordinary Gentlemen Volume IV: The Tempest HC**, collecting the **Alan Moore–Kevin O'Neill** miniseries.

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